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**Comment of the day**

**MESSAGES OF HOPE**

THE Christmas bells rang out all right, but here and there was a note out of tune, and on some occasions, the bells sounded as if they were cracked. For instance, while most countries settled down for a few days of goodwill and peace, in the Congo they used the opportunity to write off old scores, and someone or other, by continuing the absurd nonsense of plying a few rival party leaders under restraint, managed to avoid any break in the continuity of what must be this century's most ridiculous political situation.

Neither was there much peace and goodwill in Belgium, where a strike paralyzed the country, and brought everything and everyone to a standstill. Here the domestic scene of peace was bedevilled with domestic politics, and amid sounds of political strife, Christmas was ushered in. And just as we were all growing more hopeful that in our religious affairs, at least, we were beginning to achieve something like "all one body we," there was strife at Westminster itself, because a member of an order claiming so much territory on the site of the Nativity, happened to stub his toe on a step within the precincts of a rival order.

YET if there are those who delight in strife and conflict, there are considerable forces equally determined to strive for peace and in less bellicose tones, their leaders have announced to the world an implacable desire to give the world peace.

Most of the English speaking world will now be acquainted with the contents of the simple message broadcast by the Queen of England, and what is just as important, many millions more saw this year the manner and the mode of sending out such a message.

There was no pomp nor ceremony about the affair. Here was a woman, entrusted to a task before which lesser people would wilt.

Yet the message itself, couched in straightforward terms, spoke of the disappointments of 1960, hinted at the determined personal efforts Her Majesty will be making in 1961, to bring peace to this strife-haunted generation.

ANOTHER hopeful report was given to the world's Press by Mr. Macmillan. The Prime Minister reaffirmed his message of last October, when he spoke of himself as a trustee of the people's peace, and of his determination to talk to the statesmen of the world in the light of the responsibilities of his office.

For it is in the patience and the calm of such a manner, Mr. Macmillan epitomized, that hope for the Western world lies, and while his quietness and his confidence irritates, or seems so to do, younger and less reasonable states, it should be remembered that the British Prime Minister is the custodian of a rich memory and a considerable heritage.

If only the simpler and more richly endowed states would remember that the heritage they now enjoy was not obtained without struggle, and indeed, revolution, and that patience in the affairs of other nations which are now enduring what once their own forefathers endured, would help us along to the understanding which is universally needed before we can talk of peace.

These points were made in their manner by both the Queen and her senior Minister during this holiday season, and such reasoning fills us with hope.

**Catholic union federation refuses to join strike  
BELGIUM HALF PARALYSED**

**King may return to capital**

Brussels, Dec. 27. Belgium is rushing back troops from Nato bases in Germany to deal with growing violence in the Socialist-led strike. This news, coupled with indications that King Baudouin is preparing to fly back to the capital from his honeymoon castle in Spain, underlined the serious turn which events have taken in the last few days.

The only ray of hope to come in a day which featured massive demonstrations and violence in the centre of Brussels, was the announcement by the Belgian Catholic Trade Union Federation—representing about half the country's workers—that they would not join the strike now half-paralysing the country.

The Catholic Federation said methods adopted by strikers—which include Belgium's Communist Party—"are not only ruining the country's economy, but endanger the social position of the wage-earner and threaten our democratic institutions."

The decision taken by the Catholic Federation follows Cardinal Van Rooy's condemnation of the strike against the Government of Catholic Premier Mr. Gaston Eyskens, as "unlawful."

Political observers said the Catholic Union's decision strengthens the position of the Government, but at the same time threatens a repetition of the north-south split which brought the country to the verge of civil war 10 years ago on the issue of King Leopold's planned return to the throne.

**Congo losses**

The strike is against the Government's austerity bill now before Parliament which is designed partly to pay for Belgium's Congo losses.

Although King Baudouin has made no definite decision to return home, a plane of the Royal Flight left Brussels for Seyille this afternoon to stand by for an early return by the king, in the hope that his presence might help to calm political passions.

Despite government claims that the strike was a failure, leaders of Socialist unions, allied with Belgium's largest opposition party, called for new walkouts in American-owned and other factories in the port city of Antwerp.

The strike call in Antwerp appeared designed to effect a reported back-to-work movement in the northern city where the socialists generally are in a minority.

Public Affairs Minister Pierre Harmel said most government workers were at their posts and Antwerp port operations were beginning to return to normal. The port has been idle for days.

**Nothing major**

No major change was reported today in the extent of the strike, which continued to largely paralyze public services and main industries in the French-speaking "red belt" in the south.

In the Flemish-speaking north, where response to the strike call has been scattered, there were conflicting reports. A government spokesman expressed "satisfaction" that a strike call for today had been ignored by all but a handful of civil servants.

In Brussels, riot police rushed to Socialist Party headquarters

with wailing sirens to clear a mass of strikers from the tramlines and release a waiting queue of yellow taxis.

Heavy police reinforcements cordoned off the main department stores and guarded the post office. Commando and paratroop guards were redoubled at stations and public buildings.

As they marched through the city centre, demonstrators chanted anti-government slogans, disconnected tram trolleys from the wires, and yelled for "a general strike."

**Common action**

On trams, cars and on lamp-posts, strikers stuck leaflets reading "La loi unique, la loi du malheur" (the austerity bill, bill of misery).

A railway worker was hurt in a clash with pickets near Namur, and minor sabotage on the railway was reported.

A statement issued by "common action" (of coal, trade unions and cooperatives) condemned the government's "intention of occupying the radio and television" and demanded that Parliament should be recalled.

In La Louviere, a main strike centre in the southern industrial belt, 20,000 demonstrators massed in a square reared with approval when a strike leader told them: "We are not going to bow before Eyskens" (the Belgian Premier).

**Stormed buildings**

At Hasselt, in the northern Flemish-speaking Limburg province, strikers tore up paving stones outside the general post office, stormed into the building, scattered mail over the floor, and trampled on it.

When riot police appeared the strikers fled.—All agencies.

**THREE HURT IN BLAZE**

Three people—two men and a woman—were injured when a fire broke out on the sixth floor of a block, Li Cheng Uk resettlement estate, 'Shamshuipo shortly after 2 am today.

Four fire engines were rushed to the fire which was put out half an hour later.

The injured were admitted to Kowloon Hospital suffering from burns.

Two rooms of the sixth floor were completely gutted.

Cause of the fire is under investigation.

**BOAT ON FIRE**

Tokyo, Dec. 28. Six fishermen were killed and another was seriously burned when their fishing boat drifted at Tokyo Bay, caught fire early on Wednesday.—AP.

**7 DIE IN WELSH CRASH**



Pictured by the railway track at Pyle, Glamorgan, is a wrecked television service van which was hit by a goods train after smashing through a stone parapet in thick fog and plunging 25ft. on to the track. Seven people were killed. Six of them, five men and a woman, were occupants of the van. The other man who saw the vehicle leave the road and went to help was also killed by the train.—Reuterphoto.

**Fireman accuses U.S. Navy of sloppiness**

New York, Dec. 27. City Fire Commissioner Edward Cavanagh today accused the U.S. Navy of "messy, deplorable and sloppy" housekeeping before the fire that took 49 lives aboard the aircraft carrier Constellation.

**BUSMEN STRAND THOUSANDS**

London, Dec. 27. More than 10,000 striking busmen in many parts of Britain today left thousands of travellers stranded on return journeys from friends and relatives after Christmas.

The busmen were protesting against the decision of private bus companies not to give them a day off to compensate for working today, while most of the country, save in an extended Christmas weekend.

Most services owned by local authorities were running as the men on them had been given extra pay and a day off at a later date.

**LONG WALKS**

But outside major towns and cities, people faced long walks home if they could not get lifts.

In Wales 7,000 men from six companies were striking. Over 2,500 were out in Bristol, and 500 in Bath.

Other affected areas were Essex, Worcestershire, Wolverhampton and Maidstone.

There were no buses at all in Oxford, Sunderland and the Thames Valley.—China Mail Special.

**Holiday road toll in U.S.**

Chicago, Dec. 27. Traffic accidents killed at least 485 Americans during the long Christmas weekend.

America's traffic toll for the holiday was less than last year's 493 and the lowest for a three-day Christmas period since 1949 when the total was 418.

There were fewer lives lost on the highways than the National Safety Council had estimated. The council's pre-holiday warning was that 510 deaths could be expected.—AP.

Mr. Cavanagh delivered a two-and-a-half-hour trade before a Navy court of inquiry against conditions found aboard the vessel.

He said that if a factory or other building in New York City had been found in such condition "we would have ordered it vacated."

"We would have ordered work stopped and the premises cleaned up," Mr. Cavanagh said. "We have shut up buildings after finding conditions not as bad as existed on this vessel."

**No support**

The Commissioner said there was no support for the statement that the \$75 million fire on December 19 was a million-to-one chance.

On the contrary, he said, the huge carrier rearing completion at the Brooklyn Navy yard had been a fully-loaded bomb which needed only ignition.

Mr. Cavanagh added he was only surprised that the fire hadn't happened sooner.

Mr. Cavanagh told the Navy court it would have cost the Navy \$12,000 to impregnate its wooden staging with a fire retardant.

This, he said, would have reduced the extent of the fire considerably. The original oil fire from a tank of diesel fuel was put out in a half hour, the Commissioner said, but firemen fought a wood fire for many more hours.—AP.

**U.S. DAM AID**

Washington, Dec. 27. The United States today announced a \$40 million loan to Nationalist China to help it build one of the world's highest dams.

The dam on the Tachia River will be 778 feet high and will form part of a \$110 million power generating irrigation and flood control project.—Reuter.

**THE LOWER LEVELS**

Begin on P4 today and will appear in future on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

**India Government officials blackmailed**

New York, Dec. 27. At least two Indian Government officials have been blackmailed into spying for Russia by Kremlin style "Mata Hari", according to a report from New Delhi.

CBS correspondent Arthur Bonner identified the impressionable Indians as A. B. Bahaduri, a section officer in the Foreign Ministry, and Chiranjit Singh Chawla, a clerk in the Foreign Ministry, both were arrested over the Christmas weekend in New Delhi, he said.

According to the CBS report, Bahaduri and Chawla had worked until recently at the Indian Embassy in Moscow. Bonner gave this "unofficial" account of their recruitment as spies.

**Invited to parties**

"They were introduced to two Russian girls and were frequently invited to parties at which pictures were taken of them with the girls, after a while the Russians told them the girls were expecting babies. The Russians agreed to hush up the scandal but when Bahaduri and Chawla returned to New Delhi, they were contacted by Soviet intelligence agents and blackmailed into becoming spies."

Bonner said two other members of the ring were arrested a few weeks ago in New Delhi. He said the Russians made friends with them by inviting them to request free films at the Russian Embassy. A fifth spy, Capt Jagjit Singh, a former Indian Army officer, also has been arrested, Bonner said.—UPI.

**NO PLANS FOR MARGARET**

London, Dec. 27. A Buckingham Palace spokesman said today he has heard of no plans for Princess Margaret to become governor of the Bahamas.

The spokesman declined to comment further on reports that the Princess would become the Queen's representative in Nassau and would live there with her husband, Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

The Princess' name has come up in press reports several times in the past for overseas posts, including that of the governor-generalship of Canada.—UPI.

**HK ASKED TO DENY KOREAN ASYLUM**

Seoul, Dec. 28. South Korea has asked British authorities to deny a Hongkong visa to Yiu Tai-ho, former Ambassador to Tokyo and protégé of deposed President Syngman Rhee, a Foreign Ministry official said yesterday.

The disclosure was made following reports that Yiu, denied asylum in Japan where he has remained since Rhee's overthrow, is expected to seek refuge in Hongkong.

Yiu, one of Rhee's most trusted lieutenants, has been told by Japanese authorities that he must leave Japan by January 23.

The Foreign Ministry official said that in asking British refusal of a Hongkong visa, Seoul had informed British authorities that Yiu is not in possession of a valid passport.

South Korea wants Yiu returned to Seoul where he would face possible investigation and trial as a key figure in the fallen Rhee regime.—AP.

**MISSING AT SEA**

London, Dec. 27. Edwin Woo, a 32-year-old Washington architect, was missing when the German liner Bayernstein called at Cowes, Isle of Wight, on Boxing Day from Yokohama.

His cabin was found empty with the porthole open.

It was established that he had not been seen since Christmas night.

Ships in the area were told by radio to keep a look out.—AP.

**Defiance of Kasavubu**

Leopoldville, Dec. 27. Pro-Lumumba troops headed toward Kivu Province tonight in another indication that the province may join Oriental Province in defiance of Congolese President Joseph Kasavubu.

The United Nations reported that the Oriental Province government in Stanleyville was sending troops loyal to

Imprisoned ex-Premier Patrice Lumumba to reinforce pro-Lumumba garrisons in Kivu Province.

The report, coming on the eve of the alleged Christmas kidnapping of five Kivu officials, including the provincial governor, indicated Kivu may soon join Communist-led rebels. Apatia Giambe in the Stanleyville-based rebel government.

These developments threatened to cancel Kasavubu's projected state visit to Bukavu, the Kivu capital, next week.

Authorities feared Mr. Kasavubu might be arrested if he made the trip.

The United Nations said only they would try to help free the five kidnapped Kivu officials "if the occasion arises."—UPI.

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# Wall Street closes slightly easier

New York, Dec. 27. Stocks closed slightly easier today as traders lacked the fortitude to bring about the expected year-end rally.

Aircraft, defence issues and utilities provided some favourable stimulation but the overall list drifted along in the doldrums.

American Telephone rose well over a point to give life to the Dow Jones Industrial average but Johns-Manville sagged around 2 points and other building shares were soft.

IBM was the best performer in a dull electronics section with a gain of better than 2 while Texas Instruments lost around the same amount. U.S. steel lost nearly a half point in the section on the news that the industry's operating rate this week would top to its lowest level in over a year.

Ford and GM retained fractions in the Motors where Studebaker lost a large fraction. Most chemicals eased small amounts. Cosmetics were lower.

Today's volume was 3,270,000 shares. Of a total 1,235 shares traded 501 were higher and 498 lower. American exchange volume was 1,370,000 shares bonds.

Dow Jones closing averages were:

30 Industrials 613.38

20 rails 120.04

15 utilities 204.05

65 stocks 204.05

40 bonds 94.09

Comm. future price index 141.10

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## Boom in U.S. economy predicted

New York, Dec. 27. The economy of the United States already is moving toward a broad advance that will produce a sizable boom within a year, the editors of Fortune said today.

In making their annual 18-month forecast, the Fortune editors predicted jobs would start getting more plentiful this spring and that the gross national product will rise 9 per cent to a rate of \$345 billion.

Getting down to major details, Fortune said defence spending would grow by \$2,500 million a year and total federal spending \$8,000 million, while industry's capital spending will hit a record rate of \$31,000 million a year.

Fortune also forecast housing starts climbing to an annual rate of 14 million from the present 12 million, an advance of 2 per cent in the general price level and 3 per cent in the wage level. Consumer spending, the magazine said, will rise 4 per cent in terms of present dollars.

By late 1961, Fortune expects savings to resume their normal rate of 7.4 per cent of spendable income.

And Fortune's editors expect a relaxation of credit—UPI.

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Over four years the proportion of Canadian exports to the U.S. has declined from 59 to 57 per cent, while at the same time the U.S. share of the Canadian import market had declined from 73 per cent to less than 68 per cent.—UPI.

Chicago, Dec. 27. A last-minute selloff tumbled most grain futures sharply today on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Trading was moderately active through most of the session. Commission-house selling dominated the final 15 minutes.

Soybean futures opened with gains ranging to almost a cent. Prices weakened under profit-taking by longs.

Nearly wheat contracts fell sharply while distant months eased. Local and commission interests sold wheat. Commercial buyers bought.

No export sales were reported. Shippers sold about 1,154,000 bushels of red wheat have been loaded out of Chicago by barge since the movement began.

Soybean meals also fell from early highs, but oil maintained a slight advance. Drummed lard futures were steady and quiet.—UPI.

New York, Dec. 27. The General Tire and Rubber Company in its fiscal year ended November 30 had sales of \$725 million, the largest in its history. Mr. G. O'Neill, the president, told the New York Society of Security Analysts.

"Net income," Mr. O'Neill said, "will be the second greatest in the company's history, amounting to approximately \$21 million or \$2.15 a share."—China Mail Special.

Unit trust

First Hongkong Fund: Buyer price: \$1.07. Seller price: \$1.14.

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## GOOD TRADE YEAR FOR CANADA

Ottawa, Dec. 27. In a realistic review of the past year, Trade Minister George Hess said today that, while 1960 was a year of notable economic achievement, it left no grounds for complacency behind, but rather a major challenge.

"Canada has moved ahead, but so have other countries," Hess said, adding: "Conditions of ample supply and intensified competition throughout the trading world have exerted a restraining effect upon the absorption of new productive resources."

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Soviet Union over-fulfills production

Moscow, Dec. 27. The Soviet Union's ambitious Seven-Year plan over-fulfilled its overall production in its first two years by 23 per cent instead of the planned 17 per cent, and will push on with slight modifications, it was reported yesterday.

The Soviet Council of Ministers announced that the plan, which expires in 1965, had been discussed by top Communist Party and economic chiefs at a meeting guided by Mr. Khrushchev, the Prime Minister.

The announcement singled out as bright spots of the last two years ferrous metals, oil, the machine industry, and building materials.

It said the success of the plan provided a chance for a bigger drive to step up agricultural production and the output of consumer goods.

Other modifications announced were a demand for increased efficiency in agriculture and transport and the need to "further perfect" the planning system.—Reuter.

Russians to help build dam in Ghana

Moscow, Dec. 27. The Soviet Union is going to help build a dam and a 200,000-kilowatt power station on Ghana's Volta River, Pravda reported today.

A dispatch from the Russian newspaper's correspondent in Accra said that the Soviet aid would be extended under the co-operation and technical assistance agreement signed last September.

At that time, the Russians agreed to lend President Nkrumah's Government US\$40 million but the 'Pravda' dispatch did not indicate what amount of Soviet funds would be used on the Volta construction.

The Soviet Union will also build a 180-mile power transmission line in Ghana and has offered to make a geological survey, Pravda said.—AP.

Assets sold

Los Angeles, Dec. 27. Stockholders of the Monterey Oil Company voted to dissolve the corporation and to sell most of its properties and assets to the Humble Oil and Refining Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey).

Mr. Howard Pyle, President of the Monterey Oil Company, said the company would ultimately receive a total of \$10 million for the sale of its assets.—China Mail Special.

Exchange rates

London, Dec. 27. The annual industrial inquiry of the National Institute of Economic and Social Research is surprisingly encouraging about Britain's production and export prospects. It makes these points.

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The scrap market also is improving, the metalworking weekly said. Brokers are seeking to cover commitments before an expected January rise in steelmaking generates market strength.

Steelmaking scrap pushed prices up \$1 a ton on a number of leading grades in Chicago. Domestic prices on the No. 2 heavy melting steel and No. 2 bundles advanced \$1 in Philadelphia.

In San Francisco, Japanese buyers were reported paying \$4 to \$5 a ton above domestic prices for top grade steel scrap.

Last week, steelmaking operations were at 46.9 per cent of capacity, 1.8 points below the previous week, for an output of about 1,335,000 ingot tons, a new low for the year.—UPI.

PI STILL PROBING CRASH

Manila, Dec. 27. The Philippine Civil Aeronautics Administration today corrected reports that its probe team investigating the December 22 crash of a passenger aircraft which resulted in the death of 28 persons aboard had already declared the cause as "pilot error."

Colonel Urbano Caldeza told reporters that the team was still conducting an investigation into the cause of the crash and would release its official findings shortly.

The Philippine Air Lines which was operating the ill-fated aircraft—a DC-3—had reported that the crash was caused by "pilot error."

The aircraft crashed and burned in a cornfield shortly after taking off from the Cebu airport (some 300 miles south-east of Manila) on a night flight. Only nine persons survived the crash.—Reuter.

ANTI-TRUST CASE

Washington, Dec. 27. The U.S. Federal Trade Commission has ordered the Scott Paper Company of Chicago, Pa. to divest itself of a number of companies acquired during the early 1950's.

As a result of "anti-trust" cases which had been pending for several years, the Commission told the Scott firm to give up the Soundview Pulp Company, the Detroit Sulphur Pulp and Paper Company and the Hollingsworth and Whitney Company. The Scott Company will appeal the order, a spokesman said.—China Mail Special.

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## Bid to organise merchant fleet for Ceylon

Colombo, Dec. 27. A bill seeking power to set up a corporation to organise a merchant marine fleet for Ceylon, will be presented to Parliament shortly by the Minister of Commerce, Trade, Food, and Shipping, Mr T. B. Illangaratne.

The government has decided to invite an expert from abroad, possibly from Britain, to advise on the project.

Poland, Sweden, and Yugoslavia are among the countries which offered merchant ships to Ceylon on favourable terms.—Reuter.

Modernisation scheme

A modernisation scheme which will place the Belfast yard of Harland and Wolff in a much better position to meet competition for shipbuilding contracts has been announced.

Four mobile cranes, each costing £120,000, and a new welding shop for the prefabrication of ship sections are to be installed to speed up construction work, cut labour costs and reduce outside work to a minimum.

The new welding shop now being constructed will cost upwards of £500,000. It will be 700 feet by 200 feet and 100 feet high.

The steel work will be prefabricated in the shop, and ship sections will be conveyed to the appropriate slipway by mobile cranes.

An official of the firm says the cranes will provide a greater degree of mobility than ever before. They are being built by a Glasgow firm and will be capable of handling 60 tons each.

It will be the first time this kind of crane has been used by Harland and Wolff in Belfast.

The new welding shop will be completed, it is expected, next October, and the cranes will be brought into operation during 1961.—LPS.

City of Lichfield built at Dumbarton

William Denny and Brothers Ltd. of Dumbarton have launched the 6750 gross tons cargo motor vessel City of Lichfield for Ellerman Lines Ltd.

Designed for general cargo work with a deadweight capacity of 8300 tons and easily adaptable for carrying grain, the City of Lichfield is the second of two fast cargo ships built recently at this yard. She is designed by a 6-cylinder Sulzer diesel engine, an engine which the Dumbarton firm have been manufacturing under licence for many years.

The present installation will have a continuous output of 5000 b.h.p.—LPS.

Refrigerated cargo ship for Argentine

The 1100 gross-ton refrigerated cargo vessel Santa Elena has been completed by the Grange-mouth Dockyard Co. Ltd. for the Argentine Republic.

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Liner transferred to New York service

The 22,000-ton liner Sylvania, last of four passenger-cargo liners built by John Brown & Co. (Glydebank) Ltd. for the Cunard Steamship Co. Ltd., is to be transferred from the Canadian service out which she has plied since her commissioning in June 1957.

She is to take the place of the Britannia on the New York run, Sylvania is fitted with stabilisers and carrying capacity of 1,500 tons of cargo. She will be the first of a series of fast cargo ships built recently at this yard. She is designed by a 6-cylinder Sulzer diesel engine, an engine which the Dumbarton firm have been manufacturing under licence for many years.

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Westland board resignation

Mr. J. H. Westland, Chairman of the Westland Aircraft Ltd. board, has resigned his position. The resignation was accepted by the board at a meeting held at the company's headquarters in Salisbury.

Westland Aircraft Ltd. is a public company listed on the London Stock Exchange. It is engaged in the design and manufacture of aircraft and aircraft engines.



# Danger of world blow-up

## Scientists told of their responsibility

New York, Dec. 27. In six years or less a dozen nations including China will have A-bombs and H-bombs, a noted British scientist-writer said today.

"Within, at the most, 10 years some of those bombs are going off, I am saying this as responsibly as I can. That is the certainty," said Sir Charles Snow.

"We know, with the certainty of statistical truth, that if enough of these weapons are made—by enough different states—some of them are going to blow up," he declared.

"Through accident, or folly, or madness—but the motives don't matter."

Sir Charles Snow is author of several novels among them "The Affair," and "The Two Cultures."

"We are faced with an either-or, and we haven't much time," he told a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

### DISASTER

Either the United States must accept a restriction of nuclear armaments, beginning, as a token, with the halting of nuclear tests, or risk nuclear catastrophe, he said. He added: "On the one side, therefore, we have a finite risk. On the other side we have a certainty of disaster. Between a risk and a certainty, a sane man does not hesitate."

"It is the plain duty of scientists to explain this either-or. It is a duty which seems to me to come from the moral nature of the scientific activity itself."

Scientists cannot remain ethically neutral. They cannot say we have made the bomb, and if you use them badly, it is no concern of ours, Sir Charles Snow said.

"Scientists are the most important occupational group in the world today," he said. "At this moment, what they do is of passionate concern to the whole of human society."

"For all these reasons, I believe the world community of scientists has a final responsibility upon it—a greater responsibility than is pressing on any other body of men," he added. He urged a personal, inextinguishable hope that they would bear this responsibility well.

Scientists also have the same duty regarding the benevolent powers of science, he said. For people on the pavement are every scientific fact we need to transform the physical life of half the world, and transform it within the span of people now living.

"I mean, we have all the resources to help half the world live as long as we do, and eat enough. All that is missing is the will. We know that," he said. He added:

"We are sitting like people in a smart and cozy restaurant. Daven on the pavement are people who are looking up at us, people who by chance have different coloured skins than ours, and are rather hungry. Do you wonder that they don't like us all that much? Do you wonder that we sometimes feel ashamed of ourselves, as we look out through that plate glass?"

Sir Charles Snow said that the moral qualities he admires in scientists are simple ones such as courage, truthfulness, and kindness. He said he thought scientists make slightly better husbands and fathers than most men.—AP.

## Adopt Indonesian nationality

Samarang, Java, Dec. 27. Government sources reported here last week, that during this year 3,761 Communist Chinese citizens had elected to adopt Indonesian nationality.

Indonesian Chinese, who until recently have been able to enjoy Indonesian and Chinese citizenship, must now choose one or the other.

Many have elected to return to China. There are about 176,000 Chinese in central Java.—Reuter.

## Minister marries Negress



The Rev. Glyn Bruce, 31, Pastor of the Unitarian Chapel, Hale Barns, Cheshire, and Miss Edna Wilson, 27, an American Negress, of Wilmington, Delaware, were married on Christmas Eve in England. The couple met three years ago at Oxford when Mr Bruce was studying theology.—Express Photo.

## Kennedy plans vigorous space programme

Palm Beach, Fla., Dec. 27. Mr Lyndon Johnson, United States Vice-President-elect, announced today that the incoming Kennedy Administration was planning a vigorous and accelerated space-exploration programme.

Mr Johnson, who is due to become Chairman of the National Aeronautics and Space Advisory Council, gave no details of the planned programme in his announcement at a press conference at President-elect John Kennedy's holiday headquarters.

He and Senator Robert Kerr of Oklahoma, who is to become Chairman of the Senate space committee after the Kennedy Administration takes office next month, had just ended a two-day conference with Mr Kennedy.

Mr Johnson told reporters that the President-elect had asked Senator Kerr and himself to explore work now being done and up to 1965, and "attempt to have an evaluation ready for a space council when it is named after Senator Kennedy assumes the presidency."

### OUTLAY

He said proposed plans for the next fiscal year, which begins next July 1, called for about \$2,000 million (about £715 million) for the space programme. "And that steps up to almost \$5,000 million (about £1,785 million) in 1965," Mr Johnson added.

"The President-elect wants the programme reviewed with a fine toothcomb, with a view to determining whether any money is being spent that shouldn't be spent and whether all is being done that should be done."

He is determined that America forge ahead and occupy her proper place of leadership in that field," he said.

"You will find that when the new administration takes office, they will have a very vigorous and accelerated programme,"—Reuter.

## Leave cancelled in Ceylon

Colombo, Dec. 27. All leave in Ceylon's public service is cancelled for two weeks from January 1. This has been done in view of the heavy administrative work anticipated in connection with the switch-over to Sinhalese as Ceylon's official language. According to the Evening Times of Ceylon, leave for members of the armed forces has also been cancelled for the same period.

## Two freighters collide off Texas coast

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 28. A crippled Norwegian freighter limped into Galveston Bay yesterday after colliding with a Greek vessel 12 miles off the Texas coast.

## Denial at divorce court

Los Angeles, Dec. 28. A divorcee who wants Dennis Crosby named the legal father of her illegitimate three-year-old daughter denied in court that she had a 1957 tryst in Palm Springs with another man. Mrs. Marilyn Miller Scott testified yesterday she had been to Palm Springs only twice—both times in 1955—once with a girl friend and another time with her ex-husband.

### A WEEKEND

Crosby, 26, one of Bing Crosby's four singing sons by his first wife, has admitted intimacy with Mrs. Scott but denied fathering her daughter, Denise Michelle.

A witness summoned by Crosby's lawyer testified last week that Mrs. Scott and another man shared a bedroom in February 1957 during a weekend in Palm Springs.

Mrs. Scott's former employer today produced records purportedly showing that Mrs. Scott was at work on the day she was alleged to have returned from the desert resort.—AP.

No one was injured in the collision yesterday of the 4,000-ton Fernmoor and the 6,100-ton Greek freighter, Tharros. The Fernmoor's 13 passengers, mostly Norwegian seamen en route home or to new assignments, arrived in Houston on Monday night after Coast Guardmen transferred them to an American freighter that happened to be in the vicinity of the collision.

### INVESTIGATION

The Coast Guard ordered an investigation. There was indication fog caused the collision. Coast Guard spokesmen here, however, would only say the ships collided while visibility was "not more than 30 yards."

The Tharros, with a damaged bow, moved into Galveston Bay under her own power. Two tugboats aided the Fernmoor. Coast Guard spokesmen said the full extent of the damage to the Fernmoor had not been determined but the vessel was listing because water was entering the engine room and one hold.—AP.

## 50 SUPPLY SHIPS FOR W. GERMAN NAVY

Bonn, Dec. 27. West Germany plans to build 45 to 50 supply ships for its navy with a total tonnage of about 100,000 tons, a Defence Ministry spokesman said here today.

He added, in reply to questions, that building of the larger ships in the programme could not be started until tonnage restrictions imposed under the Brussels treaty of the West European Union were revised.

At present, West German warships are restricted to 3,000 tons, and the government is seeking the raising of this limit to 6,000 tons.

### RAPID GROWTH

The building of four big supply ships of 4,500 tons each in German shipyards is planned under the new programme. It also includes 11 auxiliary vessels of 3,000 tons each, seven fleet tankers of 4,500 tons, and seven of 600 tons each.

West German naval sources said that following the recent more rapid growth of the West German Navy, the need for a greater supply capacity at sea had grown.

A recent Defence Ministry announcement put the strength of the West German Navy at 185 ships and 24,000 men. It is planned to reach a strength of 22 squadrons and 25,000 men by 1963.—Reuter.

## Ceylon police search schools

Colombo, Dec. 27. Police today searched all Roman Catholic schools "occupied" by Roman Catholic families as a protest against the Government take-over of denominational schools. According to the police, the searches were conducted to find whether Molotov cocktails and other dangerous weapons were hidden in schools.

A few days ago, the police claimed to have found three Molotov cocktails in a classroom of a school near Colombo.—AFP.

## EXPECTING CHILD

Hollywood, Dec. 27. Sammy Davis Jr. announced today that he and his bride of six weeks, blonde May Britt, expect a baby next July or August.

The Negro entertainer and the Swedish actress were married on November 13 in a Jewish ceremony at which Frank Sinatra was best man.—UPI.

## Saboteurs active in Havana

Havana, Dec. 27. Two new bomb explosions rocked Havana today as underground saboteurs stepped up their campaign aimed at giving Cuban Premier Fidel Castro "no rest."

Fourteen persons were injured in a noon-hour explosion in a department store. One woman was treated for shock and scores of employees evacuated in a second bomb blast at a power plant.

The police evacuated residents from a 10-block area around the power plant, when a second unexploded bomb was found. A similar explosion at the plant a few weeks ago knocked out Havana's power supply for 48 hours.—UPI.

## 1960's freak accidents PEDESTRIAN HIT BY A BEAR ON A MOTORCYCLE

Chicago, Dec. 27. A pedestrian who was hit by a bear on a motorcycle, a woman driver whose car was struck by a moving tree and a motorist who rammed into the rear of his own car were the most unusual of 1960's freak accidents in the U.S.

The National Safety Council, which compiles the list of strange mishaps, said there were many others.

Like Robert Coon, of Michigan, who found a 60-foot box car in his basement. Or Richard Sieveston of Detroit whose foot was run over by a house.

The case of the cycling bear occurred early in the year in Miami beach, when the talented bear was riding around a ring on the Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey circus lot. The bear lost control and went into a trainer, Walter Klauer, who was treated for 100 fractures at a hospital.

Traffic officers were sceptical when Marie Rattick, of Toledo, Ohio, reported that her car was rammed by a tree. Investigation proved she was right. The tree, officers learned, was being hauled by a city truck which tumbled into Miss Rattick's car.

E. Verr, of Missouri, had smashed a half-million miles of accident-free driving—and then it happened. He rammed his company car into the rear of another car, which turned out to be his. His wife was in the driver's seat. The car was badly damaged. He was riding on top of a speedster when he lost control. He jumped off and ran away.

When he tried to jump back, he missed his grip and the house rolled over his foot.

Enlon, twirler Keith Hodges of Santa Barbara, Calif., dipped his stick into the run during a parade. A gust of wind sent it sailing, and it hit California Gov. Edmund G. Brown on the head.

Then there was Jerry McMahon of San Francisco. McMahon, an automobile mechanic, thought he detected more of a "jolt" than a "purr" when he started the engine on his car. He was right. When he turned off the engine, the car rolled back, and McMahon was killed.

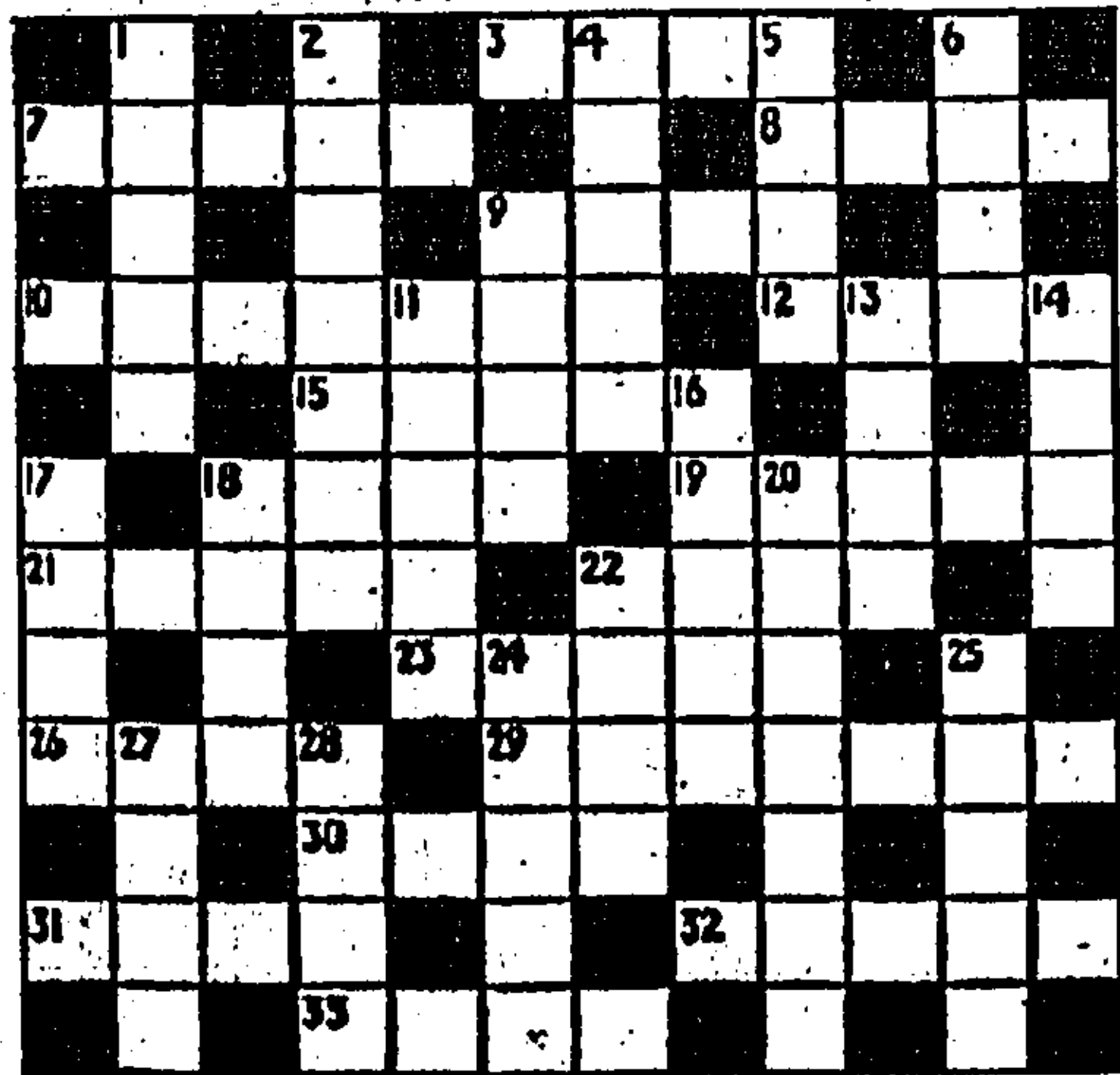
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- ACROSS**
- In the centre of things. (4)
  - The Blue Boy? (5)
  - Is blown melodiously. (4)
  - Occult? (4)
  - Protective power. (7)
  - Raised by popular approval. (4)
  - Passengers who pay them. (5)
  - The 11th hour, perhaps. (4)
  - Where Greek meets Greek? (5)
  - Drop us a line! (5)
  - Hot spot. (4)
  - Went in headlong. (5)
  - Fool a bird? (4)
  - Takes off. (7)
  - Old-fashioned jazz. (4)
  - Norse god. (4)
  - Take across in a boat. (5)
  - Like ditchwater. (4)
- DOWN**
- Go gay. (5)
  - A good match? (7)
  - Free-for-all. (5)
  - Open and shut affair. (4)
  - Mounted game. (4)
  - Unit of area. (4)
  - Given a title. (5)
  - Prepare to admit. (4)
  - It's as easy as pie to make! (4)
  - Put by. (5)
  - Ill-gotten gains. (4)
  - Money holder. (4)
  - Slimmed. (7)
  - Above. (4)
  - Count's he better. (5)
  - Unrelenting. (5)
  - Hindustani. (4)
  - Help out temporarily. (4)
- YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across 1 Surrey, 7 Palm, 9 Amigo, 10 Lions, 11 Olive, 13 Night-owls, 15 Fend, 16 Boat, 19 Follow-down, 22 Ball, 23 Cleme, 25 Rotor, 26 Lieu, 27 Ending. Down 1 Using, 3 Rotor, 4 Yellow, 5 Soporific, 6 Miles, 8 Pique, 12 Clock, 13 Apollo, 14 Horatius, 17 After, 18 Flooze, 20 World, 21 Babel, 23 Acid.







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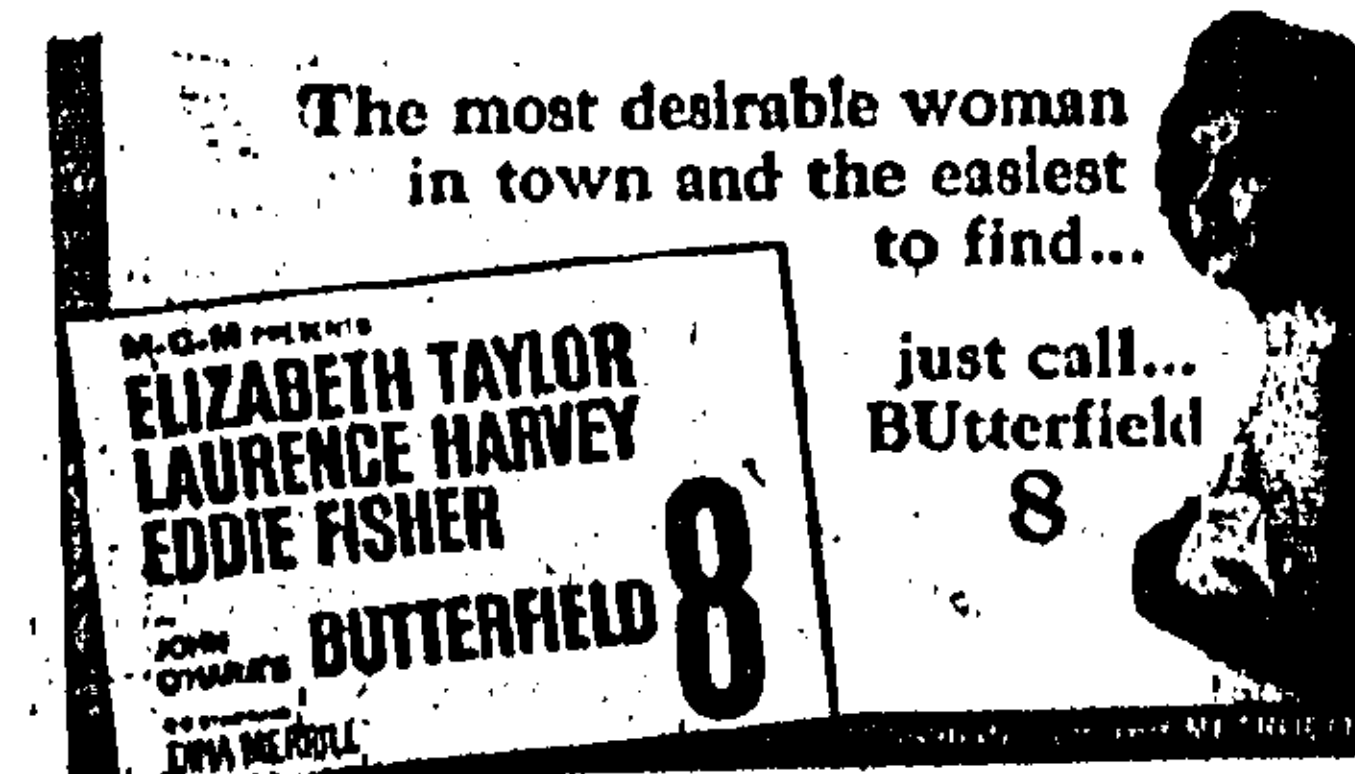
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## Pets radio- active

London, Dec. 27. The humble tortoise—a pet in many British homes—may be radioactive, Mr. Tom Driberg, British Labour MP suggested. For if the tortoise came from the Sahara—as many tortoises do—it might have been affected by fallout from French atom blasts.

Mr. Driberg said he will ask the British Health Minister, Mr. Enoch Powell, in Parliament if he is aware of the possible danger to human health from imported Sahara tortoises—China Mail Special.

## BRITISH IMMIGRANTS VITAL TO AUSTRALIA

Sydney, Dec. 27. The New South Wales Premier, Mr. R. J. Heffron, said today large-scale migration of skilled workers from Britain was indispensable to Australia's development.

## Man who preyed on old women gets five years

A young man who specialised in robbing old women was given the maximum term of five years by Judge T. Creedon in the Kowloon District Court this morning.

Mr. D. N. E. Rea, 31, of 100, said that in the two months before his arrest ten days ago, Chung Tat, aged 27, had snatched gold earrings from five old women, "the youngest" of them being 51, in the streets in Kowloon.

However, as the earnings were small, he had not caused any injuries to his victims.

It was disclosed that Chung Tat had a record of more than a dozen previous convictions since 1950 when he was in his teens.

This morning, he had admitted five charges of larceny from the person and one for breach of a police supervision order. In addition to his prison sentence he was placed under police supervision for two years at the end of his jail term.

## HE STOLE PLASTIC FLOWERS

A 35-year-old unemployed Chinese man, Pang Tak-chung, who pleaded guilty to stealing plastic flowers was sentenced to two months' jail by Mr. I. M. S. Donnell at North Kowloon Court this morning.

Sub-Inspector G. M. Dorman told the Court that the proprietor of the Hoi Man Manufacturing Co., Ng Wai-kung, reported to the police on December 22 that he had lost \$120 worth of plastic flowers which he had placed in the corridor the previous day.

As a result of inquiries, defendant was arrested in Pak Wah street near Wong Chuk street on December 27.

Defendant, under caution, admitted that he had sold the plastic flowers for \$42.

## ACCIDENT VICTIM 'BETTER'

The condition of Mr. M. C. Parsons, who sustained serious head injuries in a collision between a car and a lorry near the junction of Tai Hang road and Blue Pool road on Christmas Eve was reported today to be "much better."

Mr. Parsons, who is still in Queen Mary Hospital, suffered lacerations on the head.

## Meeting

London, Dec. 27. Mr. Edward Heath, Lord Privy Seal, left by air today for the Jan. 4-7 Singapore meeting of British Commonwealth and Colonial officials.—UPI.

## HOME AT LAST

London, Dec. 27. The Webb family of Shorliffes Lane, near Evesham (Worcestershire) have been told that they can stay in the house they built themselves.

Mrs. Barbara Webb, 30-year-old mother of seven children, was informed that the trustee in bankruptcy had decided to sell the house to Mr. Maurice Wingate, a London banker, who offered to buy it for £3,200 so that the Webbs could stay in it.

Previously they had been twice evicted and twice they had gone back into the house. The husband, Mr. Leslie Webb, 35, a bus driver, was jailed for contempt of court in defying the two evictions—China Mail Special.

## Valuable pistol

London, Dec. 27. Sir James Mann, acting on behalf of the Tower of London, paid £2,100 at Sothebys here for a wheel lock pistol dated 1581.

The pistol, of German or Flemish origin, had a series of silver medallions set in the stock and two miniatures under rock crystal painted with portraits of old men in 16th century costume.

The pistol is believed to have been handed down in an English family since the 16th century.—China Mail Special.

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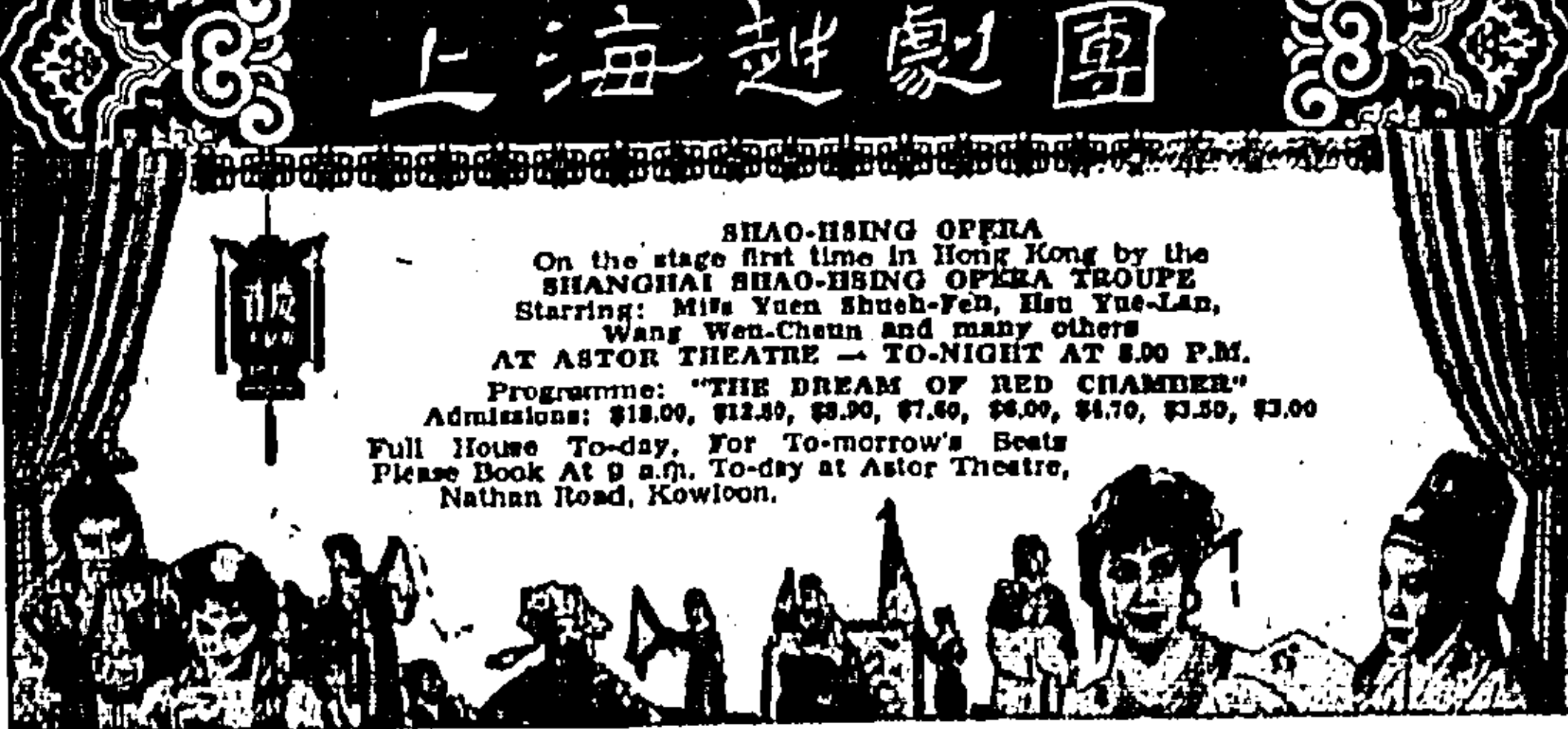
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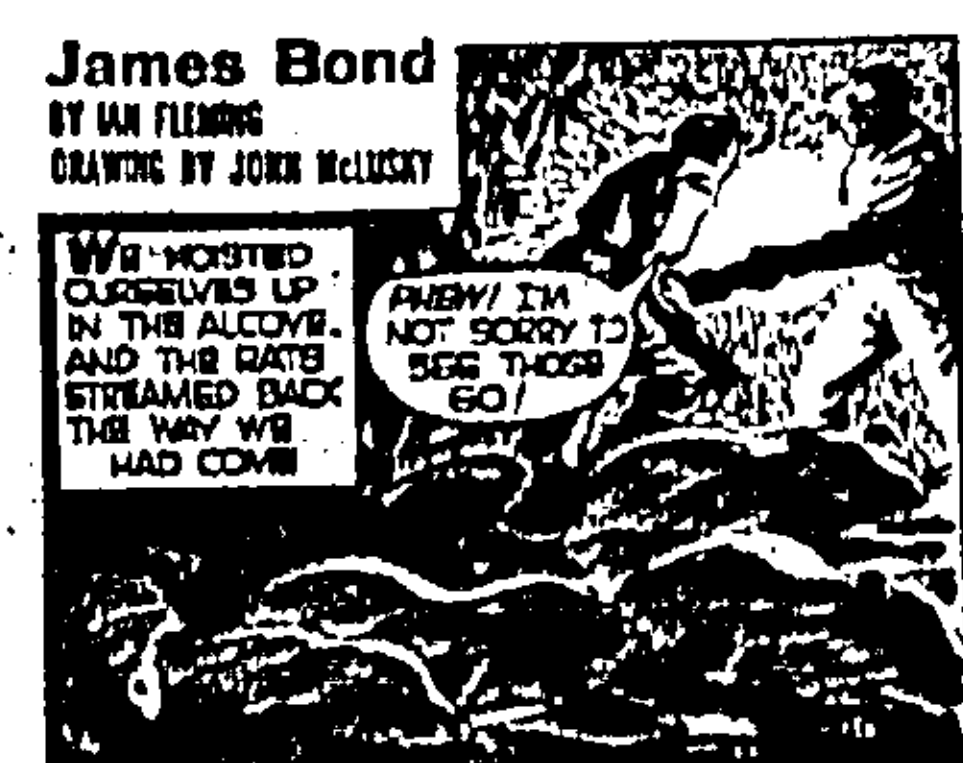


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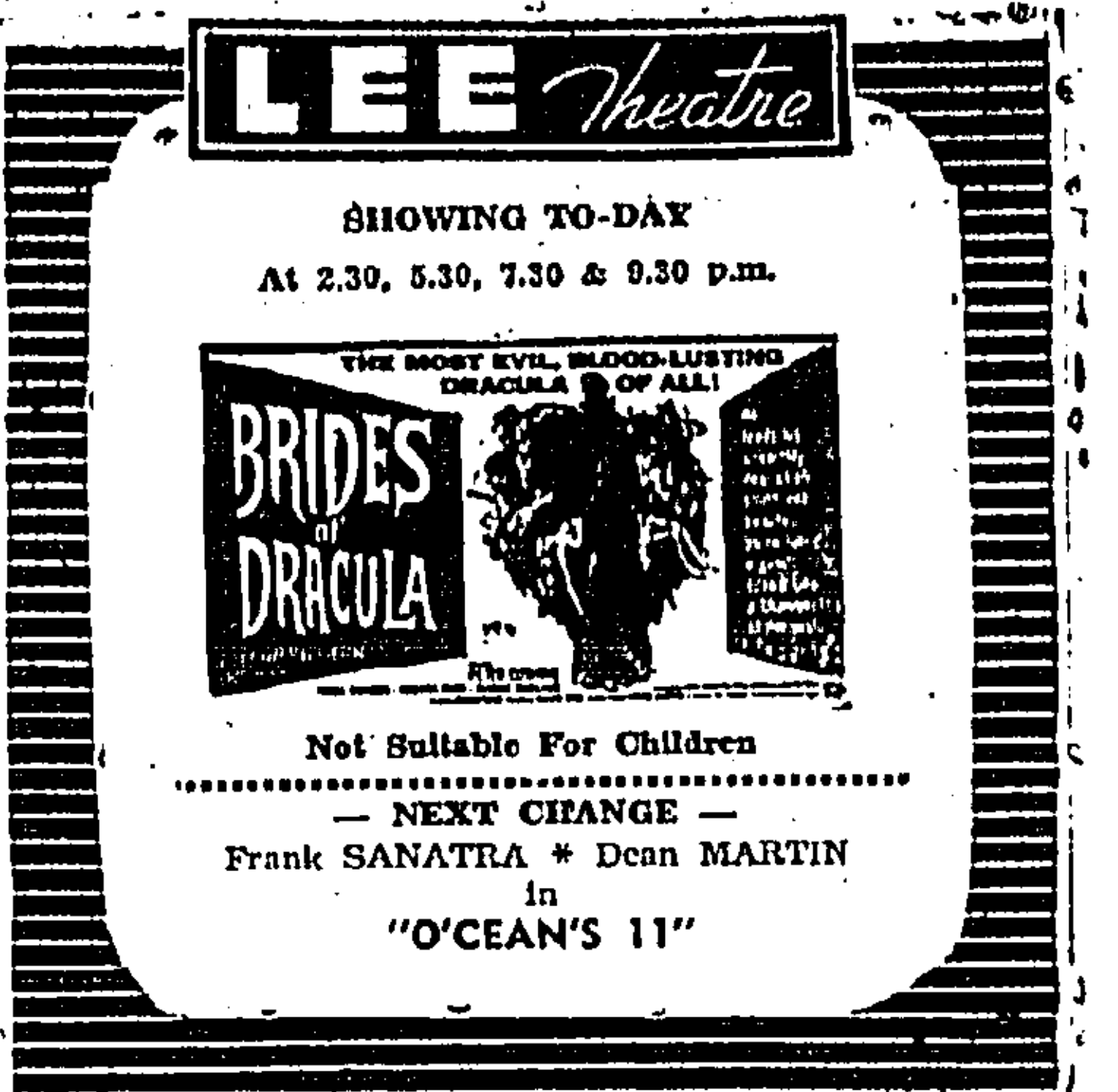
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# CURZON or KITCHENER?

*For three years these giants fought for supremacy in India ... and only one could survive*

THE battle royal which raged between Curzon and Kitchener for supremacy in India lasted for three years. It was a bitter and titanic struggle between two vain-glorious men—and, so far as their careers were concerned, it was war to death.

Mary Curzon realised at once that here was a dangerous adversary. She used all her charm and gentleness in an attempt to disarm Kitchener at the start. But Curzon saw his new Commander-in-Chief simply as a quaint, rather wild, character who could be managed in the same way as an unruly boy by a wise father.

"He seems to think that the military government of India is to be conducted by concord between him and me (he wrote patronisingly). Accordingly, he comes and points out to me all sorts of schemes. It is all so frank and honest and good-tempered that one cannot meet these advances with a rebuff."

To apply the adjectives "honest" and "frank" and "good-tempered" to Kitchener was naive indeed. He was, if anything, even more tortuous of character than Curzon. But the Viceroy treated him like a new and rather snappish dog. "He stands aloof and alone," he wrote, "a molten mass of devouring energy and burning ambitions without anybody to control or guide him in the right direction."

Curzon had no doubt that he would be the Svengali of this restless military Tolly.

## He objected

For the first few months, Kitchener gave every outward sign of being an amenable deputy. But he made it quite clear that he wanted all military affairs in his hands, and he strongly objected that Curzon had no right to interfere in the Army's direction through an appointee called the Military Member.

He asked for the job to be abolished. Curzon refused. He argued, but finally agreed to give the system a year's trial—a promise which, it soon became apparent, he had no intention of keeping.

Curzon had described his new C-in-C as "aloof and alone" but he was far from being so. Unlike the Viceroy, he quickly surrounded himself with several able, loyal subordinates who were ready to die for him if necessary—and certainly willing to help in his intrigues.

He had also, before leaving London, established a private channel of communication through which he could always get the ear of the Government. This was his adoring admirer, Lady Salisbury.

To her he wrote his innermost thoughts and opinions, and she immediately rushed across to her husband or the Prime Minister, Balfour, to canvass their support.

Slowly, while the Viceroy relaxed, self-confidently, Kitchener began to flex his muscles. He had taken the measure of Curzon and decided that he was a temperamental titan with feet of clay. He forthwith took the first kick at the Viceroy's underpinnings by telling him that henceforward he must keep his feet out of those Army matters dealing with the defence of the frontiers of India.

## 'I'll resign'

When Curzon protested that he was not at all first man in the realm, Kitchener did something which gave Curzon his first appalling realisation that he had perhaps invited a cuckoo into his nest. Kitchener threatened to resign.

Now, resignation had always been the weapon Curzon used to browbeat the Government at home; but he was shrewd enough to see that from now on it was a threat he would have to abandon. If it came to a question of whose resignation should be accepted, his or Curzon's, there was no doubt that his sacrifice would be accepted. Curzon's own reputation was high, but Kitchener's was higher.

He gave way, with what graciousness he could muster, and from that moment Kitchener became undisputed lord of India's frontier.

## the most superior person by LEONARD MOSLEY

him a liar, he wrote: "In the old days I should have called him out on it and shot him like a dog."

He did no such thing, however, for he realised that he did not need to do so. Curzon was busy shooting down himself.

The Cabinet telegraphed that in no circumstances should the character of their message be changed. Curzon immediately telegraphed back to Balfour telling him the message must be modified or he would go. "The Government will never allow me to resign," he wrote Mary. And he certainly did not mean his resignation to be taken seriously.

But Balfour read the telegram and took it at its face value.

On the morning of August 10, 1905, George Nathaniel, Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, was at breakfast when a bearer brought an important dispatch from London. It was from the King. His resignation had been accepted.

It was all over. The great edifice he had so painfully and painstakingly built for himself had collapsed overnight, and lay all around him in miserable ruin.

## SATURDAY:

THE MEETING WITH ELINOR GLYN

## 'I'd shoot him'

Curzon's tears dried immediately. He went back to the Viceroy's Council, roundly attacked the Cabinet message, and declared that thanks to his efforts the damage had been repaired and he had secured important concessions.

Kitchener was furious. A few days later when Curzon sent him a letter practically calling

# THIS DOCTOR WHO DEALS IN DEATH...

BY DONALD SEAMAN

ON the rare nights when no one has dialled "M" for Murder you will find him sitting at the piano in his West End flat seeking relaxation in the wonder of Brahms or Mendelssohn.

Slim and sensitive fingers moving gently, inquiringly along the keyboard, soothing the lines from a tired, intelligent face.

The hands: you look at the hands when you meet this man. They are strong, scrubbed hands. The hands of a doctor.

The usual job of these hands is grim. For this doctor's business is not life but death. And even while his hands are busy on the keyboard his mind is turning over one of his most unpleasant and difficult cases.

## His week

This small, almost dainty, man of 53 with the fringe of sandy hair round the high, domed forehead is Dr Keith Simpson, the great pathologist.

Another "M" for Murder call disturbed Dr Simpson's relaxation recently.

It came after a horrified father in Yatley, Hants, rang the police to tell them that his three sons had found the body of a child on the local green.

It was the body of 12-year-old Brenda Nash, the Girl Guide missing for more than six weeks. Even for Dr Simpson, accustomed over the years to calls at any hour of the day or night to investigate murder in all its savage variety, this was quite a week.

He was already working on the most difficult case in his 30 years' experience—the case of the Missing Loves.

## Macabre

Although police investigation goes on ceaselessly, the final solution to the grim problem of Jack Love's case, called the London dock, will rest with the quiet doctor.

And with him alone. He will have to say omen, and oath, if in his opinion the two bodies found 31ft. down in the black waters of Victoria Dock were those of Jack and Mary Love, unseen by any human eye since the afternoon of November 20, 1903.

He will be asked if he can say how they died. And the verdict returned by the coroner's jury—accident, misadventure, murder and suicide, double suicide—will be largely influenced by the evidence he gives.

In the days before he is called, the lights will burn late in his laboratories above the Gordon

Museum in the Medical School at Guy's Hospital, Southwark, London.

A grim place this, a macabre setting for his work.

Here are many thousands of exhibits from cases in the quiet doctor's files. Heath, High, Pettit. Murder upon murder, suicide upon countless suicide.

Preserved, not for any personal gain but for the benefit of future generations of pathologists, so that the war against crime can go on.

The difficulties in the Love case are fantastic. The bodies' long immersion in that busy shipping berth. The total lack of any dental record to work from—always the most reliable guide to identity in such cases.

Yet police chiefs believe Dr Simpson will have his findings complete very soon.

What effect does it have on a man, to work in the sheer horror of cases such as this, year after year?

## Rewards

His friends will tell you—none. This dedicated man—he has no hobbies outside his work—is relaxed, happy when he is off duty. He has a real sense of humour.

He finds peace in classical music, or, at week-ends, in walks through the Hertfordshire countryside, followed by a pint in a pub.

He is married—to his former secretary, Jean Scott Dunn, in March 1939. A happy marriage. Few doctors become pathologists—the work is grim, the problems long, the problems limitless. Fewer still become truly great ones.

Those who do—like Cedric Keith Simpson—enjoy substantial rewards, within the top Harley-street brackets. Fees for a major criminal investigation case, always involving long hours and long spells in the witness-box under tough cross-examination, are high.

Tonight, in the same laboratory where he helped solve so many murder cases, the lights will be burning late again as he works, skillfully and methodically.

And much later, away in the West End, the same skillful hands will move along the keyboard, seeking relaxation.



Gay Paree

London Express Service

# THE BORDER 'WAR' IS HOTTING UP

## Now Austrians demand: Send troops there

From WILLI FRISCHAUER: Vienna.

THEY call it "The Murderous Frontier," where shots are fired from giant watch towers and across barbed wire entanglements, where bombs explode on the rail tracks, where trigger-happy men stalk their victims at night.

It sounds like the beginning of a new war somewhere on the other side of the world.

It may indeed, well lead to serious consequences far and near. It happened recently in the heart of Europe, not many miles from Vienna.

Yet, according to Austrian "Iron Curtain" experts, a deep significance of world-wide implications attaches to the situation on their Eastern frontier.

## Cross-fire

The incident was not much different from many previous occasions. Richard Grasch, a 22-year-old Austrian customs official was patrolling the frontier near St. Margarethen, a small town in provincial Burgenland.

Suddenly two shots were fired at him from the other side. Grasch threw himself to the ground but when he tried to get up he was fired on from the watch tower and, as he ran for his life, was pursued by cross-fire from the next watch tower. By a miracle he managed to escape unhurt.

Next morning, not far from the same spot, one of the few trains passing from Austria into Hungary approached the frontier when a violent explosion on the permanent way shook the train and broke its windows.

## Escape

By a coincidence at about the same time, a Hungarian train passed quietly into Austria when loud knocks came from inside one of the sealed wheat wagons. Austrian officials found three Hungarians who had made good their escape from their Communist-controlled country.

The three cases are typical of the explosive—truly explosive—situation in this restless part of

the world. The Austrian government dispatched a commission to investigate the position as a result of which the government addressed an official protest to Hungary.

Like many similar protests before, it was pooh-poohed by the Hungarians.

## A storm

In Vienna this spate of renewed Hungarian frontier activity has raised a political storm.

In Parliament the Austrian Defence Minister has been asked to provide troops to guard the frontier. But, as a neutral country, Austria is reluctant to take this step. It is one of the few countries in the world without military frontier guards—and intends to remain so.

But another aspect of these accidents caused by the itching trigger fingers of the Hungarians is of far greater significance.

In the first instance, of course, the Hungarians are anxious to stem the rising tide of refugees who look towards Austria as a land of freedom. Behind this anxiety, Vienna, which is the West's best listening-post for trends behind the Iron Curtain, sees an even deeper motive. There is, according to unimpeachable sources, much evidence of a political tightening-up inside Hungary.

The days of Janos Kadar, Hungary's post-revolution Prime Minister who attempted a more liberal course, are said to be numbered. Austrian Iron Curtain experts, who have long provided the Western governments with some of the most reliable forecasts of East European developments, interpret these moves as part of a Soviet plan to stabilise conditions on the Western fringe of their empire—that is, in the satellite countries—by all means at their disposal before 1951 is out.

In spite of the apparent, current, uneasy truce between Russian and Chinese ideologists, Mr. Khrushchev is said to view with apprehension the time—

# COOPER THE COWBOY KING IS SO LONELY

THE indestructible Gary Cooper, last of the Hollywood age of kings and the man they say is now the loneliest in Beverly Hills, stood looking sadly at the ground.

He has every reason to be gloomy. All his contemporaries, the stars who have shared the credit titles with him for 30-odd years, have now died or retired.

Garbo, Colman, Chaney, Swanson, Barrymore, Negri, and now Gable.

They have left the long, lean Cooper on the set. Still working at 50. Still saddle-tough enough to be planning yet another Western. And still keen enough to be trying something new: he is making his first whodunit, "The Naked Edge".

I went to Eistree film studios, in Hertfordshire, to ask him how it feels, as the last of the great names of his era of Hollywood, to be planning a future.

I found him all alone. He stoops slightly now, and his amble is slower.

## DEAF

He is a little deaf, and he speaks so softly that it is difficult to hear him at times.

He is slow to talk about the past, for he still has a trail to ride. He gives away his years in films unconsciously, though—as when he refers to Spencer Tracy and James Cagney as "the younger bunch".

He said: "I signed my first contract with Paramount the day the great lover Rudolph Valentino died. (That was in 1926)."

"In those years we collected a thing called experience. Some people said it carried glamour as well."

## CAREER

"I can't really explain why I'm still working, why I'm supposed to be at the top. I have never felt entitled to a long career."

He is not too happy about his venture into a whodunit. He said: "I know this is not for me, standing around with tea in one hand and Scotch in the other."

"I know where my name was made—and that it's time to make another Western."

Cooper believes now that after three years of searching he has found one worth making.

"The problems are big," he confessed. "TV is tumbling over with cowboys who have taken the place of conversation."

"And now every newspaper to Hollywood wants to make a Western—Method actors and all. They have found it pays off. You catch the kids and they become your fans for generations."

"Maybe that helps to explain why I'm still around."

—(London Express Service).



"Of course you can hear the clink of glasses, dear—I'm speaking from an optician's."

Behaviours are off, everybody—the boss can't make it for dinner."



# WOMANSENSE

Jane Rogers reports . . .

## A great fashion victory

**THREE** cheers for the modern mother-to-be! By sheer persistence, and a refusal to accept second-best, she has managed to persuade the maternity wear designers that a woman can be pregnant and fashionable.

The mother-to-be of the nineteen-sixties wants to go man look her prettiest, and no out dancing. She wants to give one notice her shape. Like the tremendous popularity of long, sleek pants instead of skirts for expectant mothers. Worn with the right kind of tailored top, they are far more flattering than even the best-designed skirt. Newest of all are the pants which have a front panel of stretch nylon instead of a "windy" or an elastic waistband. The nylon clings kindly to your changing figure, makes it possible to wear the pants again after the event.

And like the new maternity suits in chic fabrics and colours which are appearing in all the shops, to cater for the growing army of women who want to go on working during the waiting months and want something elegant to wear. Spotted at the maternity-wear collections I've just been shown, are a number of new, bright ideas for the mother-to-be. There are gay tops, for instance, made Chanel-fashion with satin binding, and a centre front fastening. After the baby arrives they make useful cardigans to wear around the house, to team with a casual skirt.

Tricot, the new washable wonder yarn that stays white has made its appearance for maternity wear. One model that is going to be a best-seller for summer is a simple dress made from knife-pleated white tricot mounted on a yoked top. Two fashions that are particularly kind to the mother-to-be are the Empire line and the tunic dress with its wide-swinging hem. This year they are making up these styles in a new uncrushable linen that looks and stays crisp, can be washed and drip-dried.

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Two designs by Page Boy for the modern mother

A Paris look dress in shadow-weave rayon with an attractive button-and-bow fastening.

A cool drip-dry linen-like fabric makes this sleeveless summer dress cut-Empire-style.

The principal, Mrs. Francesca Phillips, believes in letting the girls tackle couture patterns right from the word go, instead of being subjected to the tedium of turning up hems, and putting zip fasteners in place. Mrs. Phillips thinks that many women become discouraged with their dressmaking lessons because they start on too-simple things which don't excite their imagination enough. This new dressmaking school aims to give its pupils a thorough training in fashion design and a knowledge of cutting and sketches as well as a purely technical grounding. "We were particularly pleased because our design was one of fifteen submitted," Ben John told me. "Since then we have been amazed at the number of people who want to buy them for their gardens."

If Ben and Mike's hopes are fulfilled there will be peacocks, rather than fairies, at the bottom of a good many gardens by next Christmas.

TALKING points of the week around London are the giant peacocks which adorn the windows of Celandine House, in London's Hanover Square.

Causing more comment, even than the angel decorations in Regent-street, these huge birds—one is 14 ft. long—were designed by two bright young students from the Royal College of Art: Ben John and Mike Hall.

The Peacocks are welded out of half inch and three-sixteenths steel, and are coated

### JACOBY on BRIDGE

HOW do you handle the South hand after your partner opens one heart and raises you in spades?

You surely are interested in six and maybe in seven and want to ask about aces. So you bid four no-trump and your partner responds five diamonds. In Blackwood, this shows one ace. If it is the ace of diamonds you want to be in six. If it is the ace of clubs you are not sure. In any event you probably bid six on the theory that even if your partner's ace is the club ace, he may also hold the king of diamonds or a diamond may not be opened.

If you happen to be playing the Culbertson 4-5 no-trump you have no problem at all. His five diamond bid shows the ace of diamonds or no diamonds at all. With the ace of clubs he

NORTH (D)			
♠KJ3			
♥QJ987			
♦AQ5			
♣J3			
WEST		EAST	
♠2		♠97	
♥1052		♥K4	
♦K984		♦J1063	
♣KQ875		♣AJ1042	
SOUTH			
♠AQ10855			
♥AK3			
♦72			
♣6			
Both vulnerable.			
North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	4N.T.	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♣	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—♣K			



